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**JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE COMMISSION ANNOUNCES  
CIRCULATION OF PROPOSED AMENDED RULES  
FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Commission on Judicial Performance invites public comment on proposed amendments to rules governing commission proceedings.

The authority for promulgating rules was granted to the Commission on Judicial Performance, effective March 1, 1995, by Proposition 190. The Rules of the Commission on Judicial Performance were initially adopted by the commission on October 24, 1996 and took effect December 1, 1996. Policy Declaration 3.5 of the Commission on Judicial Performance provides that every two years, in even-numbered years, the commission should review its rules and any proposed enactments, amendments or repeals, and seek public comment. The proposed amendments being circulated for comment include proposals submitted as part of the 2012 review of its rules.

The memorandum inviting comment, the proposed amendments, the form for submission of comments, and the existing Commission Rules are available at the commission's office and on the commission's web site at [www.cjp.ca.gov](http://www.cjp.ca.gov) under "Governing Provisions."

Some of the proposed amendments are based on suggestions made by the California Judges Association (CJA). CJA's suggestions are set forth in a letter dated September 24, 2012. The commission's letter to CJA dated January 14, 2013 sets forth the commission's reasons for the proposals it has circulated and those it has declined to circulate. Both letters are available on the commission's website under "Recent News" on the Home page.

The deadline for comments is March 18, 2013.

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The Commission is composed of three judges, two lawyers, and six public members. The Chairperson is Mr. Lawrence J. Simi of San Francisco, California.